

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please CANCEL claim 2 without prejudice or disclaimer;

Please AMEND claims 1, 3, 5-8, 11, 13, 17-18, 21, and 23-28; and

Please ADD new claims 29-52, as shown below.

1. (Currently Amended) A ~~communication~~-system, comprising:

~~at least one user with which~~ presence information is associated with at least one user, said presence information comprising a plurality of parts, at least one of said parts comprising information identifying an application for which said at least one part is intended; and

at least one entity to which presence information associated with said at least one user is provided, said at least one entity comprising at least one application, said at least one entity being configured to use said information identifying the application to obtain the at least one part of said presence information intended for said at least one application of the at least one entity.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) The system of ~~claim 2~~claim 3, wherein said entity is configured to direct said at least one part of said information to the identified entity application.

4. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein said entity comprises an application engine, which is configured to direct said at least one part of said information to the identified entity application.

5. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein said entity is a user terminal.

6. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein said entity is configured to receive said at least one part of said information in response to a request from the entity.

7. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, ~~wherein said~~ comprising at least one user terminal, said at least one user terminal providing said presence information and comprising at least one application.

8. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 7~~4~~, wherein the at least one user terminal comprises a presence engine.

9. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 8, wherein said at least one application is configured to register with said presence engine said information identifying said application.

10. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 8, wherein at least one of said at least one application and said presence engine are configured to add said identifying information to at least one part of the presence information.

11. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 7~~4~~, wherein said at least one user terminal comprises user equipment.

12. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein said presence information comprises at least one of the following parts of information: subscriber status; network status; communication means; contact address; subscriber provided location; network provided location; text; priority; mood; or favorite color.

13. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein the system is configured to operates in accordance with a session initiation protocol.

14. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein said part of information comprises a tuple.

15. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 14, wherein said tuple comprises information identifying said user and said application identifying information.

16. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein said entity is configured to request only one or more parts of said presence information processed by one or more applications of said entity.

17. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 16, wherein a ~~filtering unit~~ is provided to provide only the requested parts of said presence information.

18. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 17, wherein said ~~filtering unit~~ is provided in at least one of a server, a presence server, and ~~said~~ at least one user terminal.

19. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein said at least one entity is configured to use said information to filter said presence information.

20. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein said entity application is configured to process the at least one part of the presence information that comprises information identifying said entity application.

21. (Currently Amended) A method, comprising:

receiving at least a portion of presence information associated with ~~for an associated user~~, said presence information comprising a plurality of parts, at least one of said parts comprising information identifying an application for which said at least one part is intended; and

obtaining in at least one entity at least one of said parts, said at least one entity comprising at least one entity application, the at least one entity obtaining the parts comprising information identifying said at least one entity application for said at least one application.

22. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21, further comprising:

processing at said at least one entity application, said at least one part of the presence information which comprises information identifying said entity application.

23. (Currently Amended) ~~An user in a communications system~~apparatus
comprising: m, said user having

associated presence information, wherein said presence information comprises ing a plurality of parts, wherein said ~~user apparatus~~ being is configured to provide at least one of said parts with information identifying an application for which said at least one part is intended.

24. (Currently Amended) ~~An apparatus n entity in a communications system, said entity~~ comprising:

at least one application;

at least one processor ~~obtaining unit~~ configured to obtain at least one part of presence information associated with an user, the at least one part comprising information identifying ~~an~~ at least one of said at least one applications,

wherein the ~~obtaining-unit~~processor is configured to obtain the at least one part comprising information identifying said at least one application.

25. (Currently Amended) The ~~entity~~apparatus of claim 24, wherein the application identified in said at least one part is configured to process said at least one part of the presence information that comprises information identifying said application.

26. (Currently Amended) A ~~communication~~system, comprising:
~~at least one user with which~~presence information is associated~~associated with at least one user~~, said presence information comprising a plurality of parts, at least one of said parts comprising information identifying an application for which said at least one part is intended; and

at least one entity to which presence information associated with said at least one user is provided, said at least one entity comprising at least one entity application, said at least one entity comprising means for using said information to obtain the at least one part of said presence information intended for said at least one application of the at least one entity.

27. (Currently Amended) An apparatus comprising:
~~user in a communications system, said user having~~associated presence information, wherein said presence information comprisesing a plurality of parts; and

~~said user comprising~~provisiong means for providing at least one of said parts with information identifying an application for which said at least one part is intended.

28. (Currently Amended) An ~~entity in a communications system, said entity~~apparatus comprising:

at least one application; and

at least one application obtaining means for obtaining at least one part of presence information associated with an user ~~terminal~~, the at least one part comprising information identifying at least one of said at least one an application,

wherein the obtaining means is configured to obtain the at least one part comprising information identifying said at least one application.

29. (New) The apparatus as claimed in claim 23, wherein said apparatus is a user terminal.

30. (New) The apparatus of claim 23, wherein the apparatus comprises a presence engine.

31. (New) The apparatus of claim 30, wherein said at least one application is configured to register with said presence engine said information identifying said application.

32. (New) The apparatus of claim 30, wherein at least one of said at least one application and said presence engine are configured to add said identifying information to at least one part of the presence information.

33. (New) The apparatus of claim 23, wherein said presence information comprises at least one of the following parts of information: subscriber status; network status; communication means; contact address; subscriber provided location; network provided location; text; priority; mood; or favorite color.

34. (New) The apparatus of claim 23, wherein the apparatus is configured to operate in accordance with a session initiation protocol.

35. (New) The apparatus of claim 23, wherein said part of information comprises a tuple.

36. (New) The apparatus of claim 35, wherein said tuple comprises information identifying the apparatus and said application identifying information.

37. (New) The apparatus of claim 24, wherein the apparatus is configured to receive said at least one part of said information.

38. (New) The apparatus of claim 37, wherein the apparatus is configured to direct said at least one part of said information to the identified application.

39. (New) The apparatus of claim 24, wherein the apparatus comprises an application engine, which is configured to direct said at least one part of said information to the identified application.

40. (New) The apparatus of claim 24, wherein the apparatus comprises a user terminal.

41. (New) The apparatus of claim 24, wherein the apparatus is configured to receive said at least one part of said information in response to a request from the apparatus.

42. (New) The apparatus of claim 24, wherein said presence information comprises at least one of the following parts of information: subscriber status; network status; communication means; contact address; subscriber provided location; network provided location; text; priority; mood; or favorite color.

43. (New) The apparatus of claim 24, wherein the apparatus is configured to operate in accordance with a session initiation protocol.

44. (New) The apparatus of claim 24, wherein said part of information comprises a tuple.

45. (New) The apparatus of claim 44, wherein said tuple comprises information identifying said user and said application identifying information.

46. (New) The apparatus of claim 24, wherein the apparatus is configured to request only one or more parts of said presence information processed by one or more applications of the apparatus.

47. (New) The apparatus of claim 46, wherein a filter is provided to provide only the requested parts of said presence information.

48. (New) The apparatus of claim 47, wherein said filter is provided in at least one of a server, a presence server, and at least one user terminal.

49. (New) The apparatus of claim 24, wherein the apparatus is configured to use said information to filter said presence information.

50. (New) A method comprising:

providing presence information, wherein said presence information comprises a plurality of parts, wherein at least one of said parts is provided with information identifying an application for which said at least one part is intended.

51. (New) A computer readable medium comprising:

a first computer executable component configured to provide presence information, wherein said presence information comprises a plurality of parts, wherein at least one of said parts is provided with information identifying an application for which said at least one part is intended.

52. (New) A computer readable medium comprising:

a first computer executable component configured to use presence information associated with at least one user, wherein said presence information comprises a plurality of parts, at least one of said parts comprising information identifying an application for which said at least one part is intended, said first computer executable component configured to use said information identifying the application to obtain the at least one part of said presence information intended for said at least one application.